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Federal Opportunities

REMINDER. Cooperative Agreement Program for the National Academic Centers of Excellence on Youth Violence Prevention. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* announces funds to help communities prevent youth interpersonal violence. Eligible applicants include public and private nonprofit universities and colleges. The deadline for applications is February 10, 2005. Approximately \$6.8 million is available to fund 7-10 awards, ranging from \$680,000-\$980,000. For further information contact Gwen Cattledge at (770) 488-1430 or GXC8@cdc.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-25667.htm>.

REMINDER. Implementation Grants for Museums and Historical Organizations. *The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)* announces funds to support interpretive museum exhibitions and the interpretation of historic sites, and support for accompanying publications, websites, and public humanities programming. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is February 3, 2005. Approximately \$350,000 is available. For further information, contact Peter Scott at (202) 606-8446 or psscott@neh.gov; or go to: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/implement-museums.html>.

District Opportunities

DC Main Street Arts Initiative. *The Commission on the Arts and Humanities (CAH)* seeks to support arts and cultural facilities in DC's twelve designated Main Street neighborhoods: 14th and U Street, NW; Dupont Circle, NW; 14th Street Heights, NW; Gateway Georgia Avenue, NW; Adams Morgan, NW; H Street, NE; Anacostia, SE; Mount Pleasant Street, NW; Barracks Row, SE; North Capitol Street; Brookland, NE; and Shaw, NE. Applicants may apply for one-time capital funding support in the form of matching grants to help defray costs related to the improvement, expansion and rehabilitation of existing buildings owned or leased by nonprofit cultural institutions. The deadline for applications is March 3, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. For further information and to access the application, go to: www.dcarts.dc.gov.

FY 2005 Mathematics and Science Partnerships Grant Program. *The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)/State Education Agency (SEA)* announces funds to increase the academic achievement of students in mathematics and science by enhancing the content knowledge and teaching skills of classroom teachers. Eligible applicants include DC high-need Local Educational Agencies (LEAs), public or private institutions of higher education (IHE) with their main campus located in DC and certified by the U.S. Department of Education, and nonprofit organizations working in partnership with a DC LEA and a DC IHE. The deadline for applications is March 10, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. Approximately \$1.3 million is available for funding over 3 years. Applicants must attend the Pre-Application Conference on January 27, 2005,

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10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, at DCPS, 825 N. Capitol Street, NE, Superintendent's Office, Renewal Room, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20002. For further information, contact Deidre M. Hunt, CDH Management and Consulting, at (202) 641-5766; or go to: www.k12.dc.us or <http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/site/default.asp>.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

ADDENDUM. *The Department of Health (DOH)/Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration (APRA)/Office of Prevention and Youth Services (OPYS), Youth Substance Abuse Prevention Program*, February 4, 2005.

The Energy Office (DCEO), Renewable Energy Demonstration Project (REDP), February 25, 2005.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCA), Small Projects Program (SPP), March 3 and June 2, 2005.

The State Education Office (SEO), FY 2005 Teacher Quality Improvement Grant Program, March 17, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, March 25, June 24, September 23, and December 22, 2005.

The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities (CAH), Folk & Traditional Arts Mini Grants, April 7, 2005.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Foundation Opportunities

Animal Welfare. *American Humane Association* offers the Meacham Foundation Memorial Grant to provide financial assistance to animal care agencies for shelter expansion or improvements. Grants are made only for construction, capital improvements, or

equipment that directly impact the welfare of animals in shelters. Eligible applicants include nonprofit animal care agencies or local government agencies that are current members of American Humane Association at the Associate Agency Member level. The deadline for applications is February 28, 2005. Meacham grants may be awarded in any amount up to \$4,000. For further information, go to: http://www.americanhumane.org/site/PageServer?pagename=pa_shelter_services_grants_meacham.

Community Support. *The West Group Community Partnership Program* supports organizations focused on educating the future workforce, providing arts and cultural experiences to the community, and developing and strengthening youth, families and communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations in the communities where West Group offices are located, including Washington, DC. Deadlines include: educating the future workforce – March 15, 2005; arts and culture - June 15, 2005; and strengthening youth, families, and communities - September 15, 2005. For further information, go to: <http://west.thomson.com/about/community/grants/>.

Credit Unions. *The National Credit Union Foundation* works to promote and improve consumer financial independence through credit unions. The Foundation's grantmaking focus includes consumer access to credit unions; financial education for members of the public; and savings and/or asset accumulation. Eligible applicants include all credit unions, state credit union associations, state credit union foundations, and other system affiliates; non-credit union organizations may apply for grant funding but must be able to clearly articulate how the project will impact credit unions and their members. Projects must involve partner organizations. The deadline for applications is March 15, 2005. For further information or to access the application, go to: <http://www.ncuf.coop/>.

Financial Education. *The American Express Foundation* supports financial literacy and education projects as part of the American Express Economic Independence Fund. The program is designed to support the delivery of financial literacy education to underserved adult segments of society, including the newly employed, young workers, individuals moving from welfare to work, and immigrants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations whose

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clients are representative of the underserved adult audiences targeted by the fund. The deadline for applications is March 4, 2005. Approximately \$1 million is available to fund grants between \$15,000-\$30,000. For further information, go to: <http://www.nefe.org/amexeconfundrfp/>.

Green Housing. *Green Communities Initiative (GCI), a partnership of The Enterprise Foundation and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), along with the American Institute of Architects, the American Planning Association and leading corporate, financial and philanthropic organizations,* is a five-year, \$550 million fund to build more than 8,500 homes across the country that provide significant health, economic and environmental benefits to low-income families and communities. Grants will be made for planning and implementation of green housing development projects. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, public housing authorities, and tribally designated housing entities; for-profit entities may participate through joint ventures with qualified organizations. Letters of Inquiry (LOI) are accepted at any time. Approximately \$1 million is available to make grants, ranging from \$15,000-\$50,000. For further information, contact The Enterprise Foundation at green@enterprisefoundation.org or (410) 715-7433; or go to: <http://enterprisefoundation.org/resources/green/>.

Housing and Community. *The Fannie Mae Foundation* dedicates the majority of its competitive grants to providing general operating support to nonprofit organizations to help build their capacity, increase their impact, and make their operations more efficient and effective. Eligible applicants include national, regional, and local organizations working to: increase the affordable housing supply; increase sustainable homeownership and build individual and community wealth; and create healthy and vibrant neighborhoods in Washington, DC. The deadline for applications is March 31, 2005. Complete information on the Foundation's 2005 funding priorities and application process will be posted on the Foundation's website by March 1, 2005. You will be able to access the online application form from the site at that time. For further information, contact Grants Management at (202) 274-8057 or grants@fanniemaefoundation.org; or go to: <http://www.fanniemaefoundation.org/>.

Resources & Announcements

Community Emergency Exercises in Wards 1-6. *The DC Emergency Management Agency (DCEMA)* will conduct a series of community emergency management tabletop exercises for residents of neighborhoods in Wards 1-6, beginning January 8, 2005, and continuing on selected Saturdays through March 12, 2005. (Exercises for neighborhoods in Wards 7 and 8 were conducted in November 2004.) The exercises are designed to test the community emergency management plans developed by DCEMA for these neighborhoods. Residents will have the opportunity to practice their response to an emergency in their neighborhood using the plan developed for their community. Representatives from city agencies will be present to assist participants in the exercise. DCEMA will use information gained from the exercises to update and revise the plans. For further information or to register to take part in the exercises, call (202) 673-2101 x 2200; or go to: http://dcema.dc.gov/dcema/cwp/view,a,1226,q,62140,0,dcemaNav_GID,1523,dcemaNav,31810,_.asp.

Conference Call on Improving Accountability. *The Independent Sector Panel on the Nonprofit Sector* invites you to join a conference call on the recommendations it is developing to submit to the U.S. Senate Finance Committee in February. Panel co-conveners Paul Brest and Cass Wheeler, along with executive director Diana Aviv, will call upon the leaders of the Panel's Expert Advisory Group and five Work Groups to share their initial recommendations on improving the oversight and governance of nonprofit organizations. The call will take place on January 26, 2005, from 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. (EST). For further information, go to: <http://www.nonprofitpanel.org/ncc/register>.

Free Online Computer Training. *GCF Global Learning* offers online computer classes and tutorials in English and Spanish, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on their new and improved Web site. It provides material on Computer Basics, Email Basics, Internet Basics, Microsoft Office, Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Access, OpenOffice.org Writer and much more. New features include: free tutorials to learn at your own pace; tutorial search tool to find the material you want to learn; free online classes to learn with the help of an online instructor; My GCF -

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your own personal start-page - to find all class-related material and records; article search tool; Organizational Member Program (OM); and Media Center. For further information, contact Courtney Hodgson, Marketing Specialist for GCF Global Learning, at (919) 281-9195; or go to: www.GCFLearnFree.org.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).

The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

Leadership Award. *Independent Sector (IS)* established the Leadership IS Award in 1999 to recognize organizations that value and develop a culture of investing in the people of the independent sector as they work to build community. The Leadership IS Award supports this principle by acknowledging an organization that incorporates the development of future leaders in its policies and daily operations. The recipient organization will have demonstrated its commitment to internal and external leadership development by: embodying and promoting an inclusive and diverse community, including youth and emerging leaders; holding principles of leadership development central to the way the organization functions as reflected in its mission, programs, and activities; possessing and incorporating concrete strategies and systems that encourage and provide opportunities for staff and volunteer leadership development in the organization and the community; and having in place and exercising strategies that advance the vision, mission, and values central to the work of the organization and its desired outcomes. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. Anyone may nominate an organization to receive the award. The deadline for nominations is February 18, 2005.

For further information, go to:

<http://fconline.fdncenter.org/pnd/167/rfp>.

New Grant Support Organization. *The National Grants Partnership (NGP)* is a cooperative initiative among Federal officials, representatives of state, local and tribal governments; their executive branch grants offices; and nonprofit organizations. Its mission is to foster a partnership among state, local, and tribal government and nonprofit stakeholders and Federal grant-making agencies to improve effectiveness of use of grant funds and reduce burdens associated with grants administration. To accomplish this mission, the NGP is pursuing a number of specific projects and activities on behalf of - and providing leadership and support to - state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations on issues relating to grants administration and management. The next meeting of the NGP will be February 16, 2005, 10:00 a.m.–noon, at the Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, N.W., 5th Floor, Washington, DC. For further information, contact NGP at TheNGP@AOL.com; or go to: www.TheNGP.org.

Nonprofit Leadership Support. *Young Nonprofit Professionals Network of DC (YNPNdc)* promotes the recruitment, development, and retention of young professionals in the nonprofit sector to enhance and support a strong, dynamic nonprofit community. YNPNdc offers young and emerging nonprofit leaders valuable resources, training seminars, and channels to meet and communicate. Membership is free and open to everyone. The best way to be connected to YNPNdc is to join its email list. For further information, go to: <http://www.ynpn.org/dc/index.html>.

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